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468CLASSIFICATION ~~SECRET-CONTROL/US OFFICIALS ONLY~~COUNTRY Soviet Zone of Germany REPORT 25X1TOPIC Military Information from Halle 25X1EVALUATION 25X1 PLACE OBTAINED 25X1DATE OF CONTENT 25X1DATE OBTAINED 25X1 DATE PREPARED 24 July 1950REFERENCES 25X1PAGES 2 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE) 25X1REMARKS 25X1**RETURN TO CIA
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25X1 1. The situation at the Luftnachrichten Schule and in Halle became more calm
25X1 by 8 June 1950. All troops, including AF personnel, who had been there
had again departed. All wires, cables and tents had been removed from the
heath. The activity at the installation was similar to that existing in
mid-June 1949, when most of the troops were absent from the post.

25X1 2. No more than 200 soldiers were quartered in the Luftnachrichtenschule, and
approximately 400 were in the Fliegerhorst Kaserne from 8 to 16 June 1950
25X1 There were soldiers wearing red-bordered epaulets without branch-of-service
25X1 insignia and with artillery and tank insignia. Trucks 25X1
25X1 25X1 were loaded with furniture at the Luftnachrichten Schule.
25X1 Tank truck 25X1 and truck 25X1 were seen at the fuel dump. T-34
tank 25X1 was in the area of the Fliegerhorst Kaserne.

25X1 3. Four T-34 tanks 25X1 two SP guns,
25X1 25X1 and one tank of an older type and without markings
were observed on the street leading from Hubertusplatz to Lettin.

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25X1 5. The Flak Kaserne, Moernlitz, was occupied by a guard unit of about 100
25X1 men whose members wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia.
Motor vehicles 25X1 were seen. (2)

25X1 6. The Kluever Kaserne was occupied by 200 to 300 troops prior to 16 June
1950. Soldiers wearing black-bordered red epaulets and red-bordered black
epaulets were seen. Motor vehicles 25X1
and other motor vehicles 25X1 were seen. (2)

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7. The Reil Kaserne was still occupied by an MVD unit. The squad rooms did not seem to be occupied to capacity. Motor vehicles [redacted] and other motor vehicles [redacted] were seen. (2) 25X1
8. Margins of maps which showed reference data for the Strassburg, Breslau, Kiel, Pilsen, Vienna, Brandenburg and Saxony area were found in Doelauer Heath near Halle on 1 June 1950. Troops who had come from the directions of Berlin and Magdeburg had bivouacked at the heath until late May 1950. They left in the direction of Naumburg. (1) 25X1

9. [redacted]

- [redacted] Comments.
- (1) The Luftnachrichten Kaserne, Halle, was restored after mid-April 1950 and was occupied by new units, possibly offices from Karlshorst, on and after 18 May 1950. [redacted] AF personnel with 31 biplanes used as courier planes, and signal units constructing wire lines and establishing telephone exchanges were observed at Doelau Heath, at the same time. The occupation of the Luftnachrichten Kaserne presumably was temporary, since this report indicates that the previous situation was restored by 8 June 1950, [redacted] There is no explanation for the statement that the units mentioned left toward Naumburg. This is contradicted by the 3 June 1950 observation in Seddin of a train carrying a signal unit en route from Jueterbog toward Drewitz. The motor vehicles on that train had numbers of series belonging to the GDRG. [redacted] Information available does not give any clue as to why the units mentioned occupied the Luftnachrichten-Kaserne temporarily. The reason may have been a signal-communication exercise of a high-echelon headquarters, which was not necessarily connected with the restoration of the Luftnachrichten Kaserne. 25X1

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